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### Combined Federal Campaign Message

Around the ERDC, we are in various stages of this year's Combined Federal Campaign (CFC). I have noted with my many moves around the world with the Army that there have always been needs and CFC agencies are always there helping to meet those needs. I have also noted that the Corps of Engineers family is compassionate and generous in doing its part.

I hope that everyone in the ERDC has considered this opportunity to contribute. No one will pressure you – it is your choice.

You may choose from hundreds of local, national and international agencies that meet stringent requirements in serving their cause. You should be able to identify with something that you would like to support.

Please join with me and our CFC leaders and key-workers who are working hard to achieve our various goals across the ERDC. Together we can make a difference in the causes we support and in the lives we touch.

Thank you for considering the CFC.

Essayons,  
Col. Jim Weller

### USACE Registry of Skills Site Available

USACE has announced the deployment Corps-wide of the Registry of Skills (RoS). The RoS is **voluntary**, open to all USACE employees, and can be found at <http://ros.usace.army.mil:1096>. The RoS database is web-accessible and will contain information on the skills, abilities, education and training of USACE team members. The RoS database can be searched very quickly using a wide variety of search criteria to identify other USACE team members with particular expertise, education and abilities. The RoS is intended to assist in collaboration, locating expert consultants and potential reviewers, and expanding our outreach programs.

Once fully populated by individual team members, the RoS will provide a quick snapshot of the vast capabilities available throughout the Corps to support the USACE mission. While participation in the RoS is voluntary, all team members are encouraged to register in the system.

To use the RoS to enter your information or to search for people with specific skills and abilities, you must have a CEAP USERID and an Oracle password, and have access to a computer with a web browser (e.g., Internet Explorer or Netscape navigator). The RoS is intended to be very user-friendly. It contains an on-line Help system and an e-mail link for sending e-mail to the RoS database administrator.

I encourage all ERDC members to register in the RoS – the broader the registration, the more valuable the database. The RoS will contain only information entered voluntarily by individuals.

The ERDC POC for the USACE Registry of Skills is Susan Koh, (603) 646-4500.

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Director  
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### **ERDC Training Program Coordinator to Visit TEC**

Susan Koh will be at the TEC site on Nov. 1 and 2 to discuss ERDC Training Program issues with Col. Walter, Bobbie Kerns and staff.

### **Calendar of Events**

Dec. 14	TEC Holiday Party - Fort Belvoir Golf Course
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### **Departure**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Organization</u>	<u>EOD</u>
Michelle Lipscomb	TRD	Nov. 3

### **Headquarters USACE Info on ERDC Intranet**

Information on the new Corps of Engineers Headquarters Building has now been placed on the ERDC Intranet at <http://erdcinfo.erd.usace.army.mil/usacehq/>. Information includes maps, driving directions, office layouts and other useful information.

### **ERDC Exhibit Chart Now on Intranet**

The FY01 ERDC Exhibit Chart is now up on the ERDC Intranet at <http://erdcinfo.erd.usace.army.mil/command/index.htm>. The chart outlines ERDC exhibit strategy for the upcoming fiscal year. If you know of ERDC activities at other conferences or conferences that should be considered for exhibit purposes, please send the information to Billy Bridges at the Vicksburg site Public Affairs Office.

### **Commander's Mailbox**

ERDC team members are reminded that an electronic mailbox has been established to allow employees to send questions and/or comments to the Commander. If an employee wishes to remain anonymous, his or her name will be deleted from the question before it is forwarded to the Commander for comment. Employees' questions will be answered via return e-mail. Answers to anonymous and frequently asked questions will be posted in the Employee Information Bulletin.

The address in Outlook is, "ERDC Commander." Again, all information is kept strictly confidential and all questions are addressed directly by the Commander.

### **ERDC Publications on Internet**

The ERDC Publication Bulletin serves as the official notification of new ERDC forms and publication, as well as rescissions or changes to existing forms or publications. As of Sept. 10, 1999, ERDC official publications ceased to be printed (i.e., Center Regulations, Circulars, Pamphlets, or Commander's Policy Memoranda). All ERDC official publications are now distributed in electronic format on the ERDC web site located at <http://erdc.usace.army.mil/pubs/index.htm>.

## **ERDC News Releases Now on Internet**

ERDC News Releases are now on the Internet at <http://www.erd.usace.army.mil/news.html>. New releases will be added as they are released to the media. Please visit this site for the latest ERDC News.

## **ERDC Job Vacancies**

Reminder: Information on all current ERDC job vacancies can be found on the ERDC Intranet at <http://erdinfo.erd.usace.army.mil/hr/vacancies/index.htm>. All job announcements are also posted at the CPOL web site <http://www.cpol.army.mil/va/scripts/public.html> and at the OPM USAJobs web site at <http://www.usajobs.opm.gov/a9.htm>.

FOR THE DIRECTOR

JACKIE L. BRYANT  
Public Affairs Office

## **U N O F F I C I A L**

### **Calendar of Events**

Oct. 31	Halloween Bake Sale/Auction – 10 a.m. – Snack Bar
Nov. 3	TEC Blood Drive – Casey Building, Rooms 140 A and B from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.